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Team,

World-class sprinters don't stop at the finish line. They run through as hard as they can to win. CSM Rhodie and I are concerned about a lack of urgency and "pockets of resistance" in regards to achieving our Annual Mission. We've all worked hard and success is within our grasp, but we must unyieldingly execute our plans in support of USAREC and our Army. We serve a critical strategic end for our Nation.

Our current FY14 RA mission posture depicts a 23 contracts ahead of our FY14 Annual RA lead-line. This is the equivalent of one bad MEPS floor day. We have also seen an uptick in our RA FS losses. We must reverse a recent downward trend in our RA production and increased RA FS losses.

As for our AR mission, we must write 19.7 a day to make our AR Annual mission...very achievable. If we utilize the tools at our disposal, we have the ability to make our mission.

I expect all Commanders to enforce and validate our efforts on the APL, DMDC, re-contacting FS losses, SASVAB contacts, ensuring proper IPRs, and re-contacting those applicants previously disqualified due to a tattoo/brand. Successful execution results in exceeding our mission. Failure to execute equals mission failure.

Lastly, I direct each of you to review USAREC Message 14-052 (attached). The message states that "Applicants who were processing for enlistment between 01 October 2013 and 30 April 2014 and were disqualified due to tattoos/brands are now authorized to request an exception to policy (ETP)." The ETP must be submitted prior to 30 September. This is yet another avenue we must utilize. Currently, the USAREC tattoo tracker (<http://span.usarec.army.mil/sites/HQ/G3/Lists/TattooBrand%20Tracker/AllItems.aspx>) shows the following numbers of applicants with disqualifying tattoos: Atlanta 110, Baton Rouge 60, Columbia 16, Jacksonville 1, Miami 1, Montgomery 33, Raleigh 31, Tampa 10. My gut tells me that we were not utilizing the USAREC Tattoo Tracker as directed and that we have additional applicants that were disqualified within our AO. We must ensure we make a concerted effort to reengage those applicants and put them in boots.

I expect every Soldier, Civilian, and team to do their part. We will achieve our mission this year and set successful conditions for next year. As always, thank you for your dedicated service to the Eagle Brigade, USAREC, and our Army and Nation!



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